

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 MANAMA 01687 240955Z
ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /026 W
-----035527 241409Z /43

R 240909Z JUL 78
FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6448
INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI
AMEMBASSY DOHA
AMEMBASSY JIDDA
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT
AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

S E C R E T MANAMA 1687

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: IS, EG, BA, XF
SUBJECT: BRIEFING ON LEEDS CASTLE TALKS

REF: STATE 185332

1. I BRIEFED FOREIGN MINISTER JULY 23 ON BASIS REFTEL.
FOREIGN MINISTER HAD JUST RECEIVED KUWAITI FONMIN, THEY
ARE GOING TO BELGRADE TOGETHER EARLY JULY 24, AND HIS
COMMENTS WERE FEW. HE SAID HE FELT SUBSTANTIVE OUTCOME --
WIDE GAP ON CORE ISSUE -- WAS PREDICTABLE. BRIGHTEST
LIGHT HE SAW IN SITUATION WAS IMMEDIATE POST-LEEDS
MOVE TO SEND AMBASSADOR ATHERTON AND SECRETARY TO AREA.
FOREIGN MINISTER PROFESSED TO SEE USG'S HAND BEHIND
WALDHEIM'S TRAVELS -- RAISING THE SPECTRE OF GENEVA
IN ORDER TO KEEP THE PRESSURE ON. HE ASKED WHAT I
FELT USG WOULD DO NOW THAT LEEDS TALKS HAD SO CLEARLY
HIGHLIGHTED WIDE GAP ON BASIC ISSUE OF GAZA/WEST BANK.

3. I SAID, FIRST, THAT I SAW MORE POSITIVE ELEMENTS

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 MANAMA 01687 240955Z

IN LEEDS OUTCOME THAN FONMIN DID. VERY FACT OF LENGTHY
DETAILED TALKS ON A CORE ISSUE -- RATHER THAN AS IN
PAST ON AGENDAS ETC. -- WAS ITSELF IMPORTANT. ALSO, I
FELT THAT WHILE WE KNEW GAP ON THIS ISSUE WAS WIDE IT
WAS NECESSARY, IN EFFECT, TO MEASURE ITS EXACT DIMENSIONS
THROUGH LENGTHY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.
I OPINED THAT ONLY AN ISSUE THUS SHARPENED IS REALLY

AMENABLE TO ATTEMPTS AT SOLUTION. FONMIN SAID HE AGREED BUT NOTED THAT NOW THAT IT HAD BEEN SHARPENED WOULD USG PUT ITS OWN VIEW FORWARD. IF NOT, SC RES 242 DIES AND WITH IT ANY CHANCE FOR PEACE.

4. I REPLIED THAT USG ALWAYS HAS BEEN PREPARED TO OFFER ITS OWN PROPOSALS IN ORDER TO HELP THE PARTIES BRIDGE GAPS IN THEIR POSITIONS. I SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE FACT AND TIMING OF ANY SUCH A PROPOSAL IN THIS INSTANCE WAS SOMETHING TO WHICH I WAS NOT PRIVY. FOREIGN MINISTER THANKED ME FOR BRIEFING, WISHED ATHERTON AND SECRETARY BEST OF LUCH AND SAID HE HOPED I WOULD HAVE MORE FOR HIM ON THE SUBJECT AFTER HIS RETURN FROM BELGRADE NAM MEETING.
CLUVERIUS

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, PEACE TALKS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 24 jul 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978MANAMA01687
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780303-0356
Format: TEL
From: MANAMA
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780728/aaaaaxdm.tel
Line Count: 77
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: b436f96d-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 78 STATE 185332
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 15 jun 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 1909127
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: BRIEFING ON LEEDS CASTLE TALKS
TAGS: PDEV, PINR, IS, EG, BA, XF, (AL-KHALIFA, MUHAMMAD BIN MUBARAK)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/b436f96d-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014